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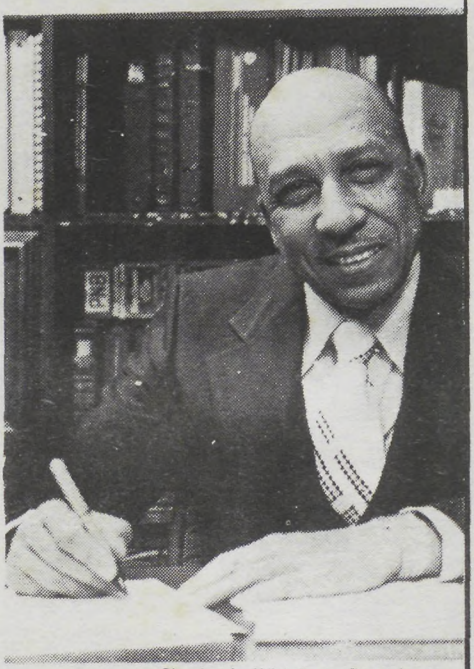

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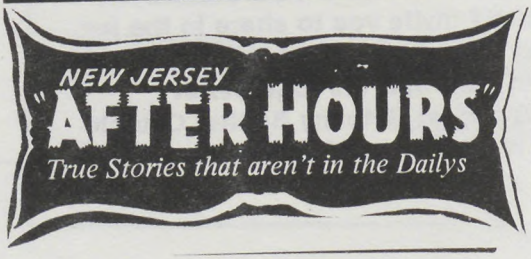

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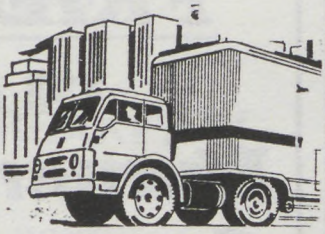

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AT LARRIE'S PARTY— Frank Salerno, former head of Larrie W. Stalks Assn; Larrie and Ernestine Washington, the new president at Larrie's Annual party recently at 41 Rector St., Newark. Webb Foto

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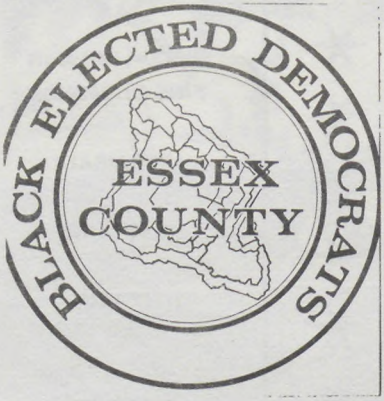

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The Socialites

by Butler Webb

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A girl, Carol Lewis of Willingboro the great broad jump champ was one of Jersey's all-sports awardees, along with Clyde Bradshaw "The Man of Steel," East Orange high grid star and later the Blue Demon championship team. Others so honored by Albert J. DeRogaties, emcee of the event were Art Swarts, Stan Yagiello, and Rich Corone.

On the All State Football Team awards were Troy Cephers of Madison, Stepton Holsey of Pennsauken.

Boys Club executive Ron Wilson made one presentation to the Hayden Foundation. Awardees sat on the double dias that also contained Mrs. Sam Foster of the Central Ward Boys' Cub.

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LARRIE STALKS PARTY— The crowd was so great at Larrie W. Stalks annual winter party at 41 Rector St., last Friday that is caused very slow moving about, but since everyone seemed to know everybody else it was a very happy assembly.

Larrie in her red suit outfit, being accustomed to crowds, was seen everywhere making sure that all were entertained. The buzz of conversation was, and sounds of laughter were great enough at times to subordinate the tunes on the juke box. Guests entered at the first floor, where soul food was served and it never seemed to give out. Then they pushed their way downstairs to the open bar to greet another mass of friends.

Trish Morris of Chen School volunteered to record a few of the over 200 names, such as Donald Lam, N.J. Secretary of State, Donald Payne, Earl Harris, Marie Villani and son, Jerome Greco, Queenie James, Bernice Davis, Edna Alba, Dorthea Lee, Sally Carroll, Eulis "Honey" Ward, Dorothy Rogers, Josephine Houston, Joe James, Constance Mallory, Dwight Mitchell.

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AKA's MEET— Last sunday morning the North Jersey chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority met at Peppermint Lounge to greet the eastern regional director, Ms. Nellie Gaylord of Moorestown N.J. and she is principal of a Philadelphia Junior High School.

The meeting also took up plans for the 50th North Atlantic Regional I Conference to take place April 23 to 26 at the Meadowlands Hilton in Secucus.

The Regional Director's reception will be held there the opening night, April 23, with business sessions by day and a Greek Mixer get-to-gether the night of the 24th, the banquet the next night and a buffet breakfast Sunday morning April 26.

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ITEMS— The historic Newark Student Council hosted a party Saturday at the Bridge Club . . . The Oranges-Maplewood NAACP installed new officers Sunday . . . The national president of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will be honored Feb. 21 at the Landmark by the Central Jersey chapter . . . The Alpha Bettes annual card party is at Mayfair Farms, Feb. 28th.

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FRED STALKS, Larrie's mate, shooting pictures at the party. . . DORTHEA LEE, the well groomed former president of the B. and P. telling of their coming fashion show and a brunch to be directed by the new president, JUNE LOCKETT. . . and the beautiful lady lawyers, SHARON HINES, BEVERLY GISCOMBE, PATRICIA RIVERA and JACKIE RUCKER. ADELAIDE ALEXANDER, who has been away for a spell, alluring as ever with LAURA THREADGILL, widow of the late Newark NAACP director, and BOBBY COTTLE, current president, who misses none of the top affairs.

RON WILSON, Boys' Club head, dapper as ever, disliking one of our action pictures of himself, but liking the one with his beautious friend at the Wine and Cheese event at the museum. . . CARL JONES of the Bridge Club at the affair. . . WILLIAM BLAKELY, LARRY BUTLER, HILTON DAVIS.

GLADYS FREDERICK of Newark's Seymour Ave., the veteran Bamberger saleslady, is weighing entry into South Ward politics. . . JOAN REEVES, president of the Town and Country Women, alluring both at the recent AKA Champagne brunch and at AKA's meet last Sunday at Peppermint Lounge where their Eastern Regional chairlady, Ms. NELLIE GAYLORD of Moorestown was honored guest. . . also the new Baseleus of the North Jersey AKA chapter, Dr. EMMAJEAN STEPHERSON who is driving the sorors to a great eastern region conference at the Meadowlands Hilton April 23 to 26.

FRANOTIE WASHTON, PR for the Artists League, hurry-

ing to the Colonnade for one of their sessions. . . TERRIS SMITH whose foto ran last issue but contained no caption, sought out a copy of A.H.N. in vain, for copies are snapped up a few minutes after delivery. . . DONALD STOKES, cosmetic king when he lived on High St., but is a bigger king since he moved to Phila., was guest speaker Sunday at the Modern Beauticians Assn. crowded breakfast at the Marriott.

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Dr. Manning Marable

Let me begin by reminding my readers that by taste and temperment, I am a Southerner. My fondess for the sunny South grows as the temperature in and around Ithaca, New York, drops. When the Black Student Union of Florida State University invited me to speak recently on the anniversary of Martin Luther King, Jr., I readily accepted. Surely the Sunbelt has more to offer than the chilling climate of fear that recently pervades Buffalo and New York City.

Arriving in Florida, it became obvious that other Northern blacks had been returning to the region in record numbers. Since 1971, the historic pattern of black outmigration from the South has been reversed. The regional metropoles of Atlanta, Houston, Tampa Bay, Jacksonville, Memphis and Miami have become the new islands of "economic opportunity." Right to work laws and a philosophy of endless corporate expansion reinforce a kind of primitive individualism, moralism and evangelicalism, both in the public and private sectors.

Stating all this, I was still surprised when I read in the morning newspaper that the Forida Legislature could possibly kill a state-funded program which rehabilitates convicted rapists. Over a 13 year period the Mentally Disordered Sexual Offender Rehabilitation Program had treated about 12,000 convicted rapists with remarkably successful results.

Critics argue that the program is too costly. About $20,000 per year is spent to rehabilitate rapists over a three period. This is twice the cost of simply putting the rapist behind bars. But as in many things, the benefits outweigh the costs. Only 10 percent of those who undergo the sex therapy program ever rape again. This contrasts with 75 percent of all rapists who finish their prision sentences, go into the public, and rape again. However, these statistics may not satisfy budget-conscious legislators, who may in the end decide that, womens' safety is not worth th extra fiscal expense.

"A successfully treated person goes out and does not recommit crimes against women and children," stated John Wright, forensic programs supervisor for the Mental Helath Program Office of the Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services. Sexual offenders who are simply

locked up can and — usually do — commit more rapes once released. "What's the moral obligation?" Wright asks, "How do you spend your money? What price are you going to put on a rape?" Evidentally, $20,000 for some legislators may be too high a price.

A second instance of the bizarre and inexplicable relationship between sexuality and the Florida criminal justice system was reported in the *Forida Flambeau,* the student newspaper at Florida State University. One inmate at the Union Correctional Institute at Raiford, Florida, was serving a thirty year sentence for sexual assualt. The inmate submitted to extensive psychological counselling. A staff psychologist met with the man in 39 sessions and eventually concluded that "the subject has a fairly high chance of success in the free society."

The imprisoned man's appeal before the Florida Parole and Probation Board was denied several weeks ago. The reason:: "chronic masturbation."

The Parole Board declared that the man "evidenced a pattern of ongoing criminal behavior evidencing need for mental treatment." Behind bars for over six years, the masturbating inmate was ordered to remain in prison for an additional 33 months. David Mack, spokesperson for the Florida Clearinghouse for Criminal Justice, informed the *Florida Flambeau* that this was the first instance of extending he date of prison parole because of "chronic masturbation."

Sexuality and the law do not seem to mix well in the New South. Or perhaps the ancient patterns of sexism and legal apathy toward progressive social reform have transcended their origins in the Antebellum era. In either case, these recent incidents reveal a failure of the legal system to protect the victims of sexual crimes and to promote the rehabilitation of sexual offenders.

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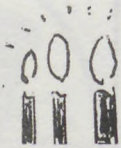

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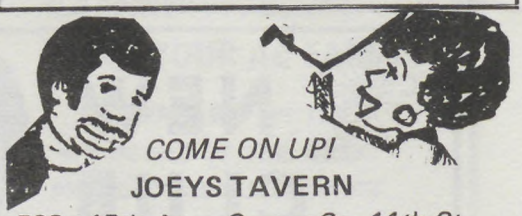

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By observing these important points, consumers can save money, time and trouble.

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- Alwayd deal with reliable stores.
- Don't deal with stores that just sell for the holiday and close soon after.
- Never deal with street vendors. Nine out of ten times they do not stand behind what they sell. If you encounter a problem with your merchandise, you most likely will never see the street vendor again.
- Save all receipts for future returns.
- Ask if the item purchased can be returned or exchanged. Make sure it's in writing and you have a receipt; some stores aren't that reliable.
- Check all toys when purchased to make sure they are operating properly.
- Make sure the toys you buy are recommended by the manufacturer for the particular age of the child you are buying the toy.
- Never purchase items on the street that are factory packed. What you pay for may not be what you'll find in the package.
- Never purchase items that yu can't inspect prior to purchase.
- Shop around for the best buy, compare prices as well as quality.
- Never remove price tags from items. Some stores will not accept them for returns.
- Beware of bargains that are too good to be true.
- Make sure the salesman is really a salesman and not someone trying to make you a deal you can't refuse. Department stores are crowded and your money may be someone's Christmas gift.

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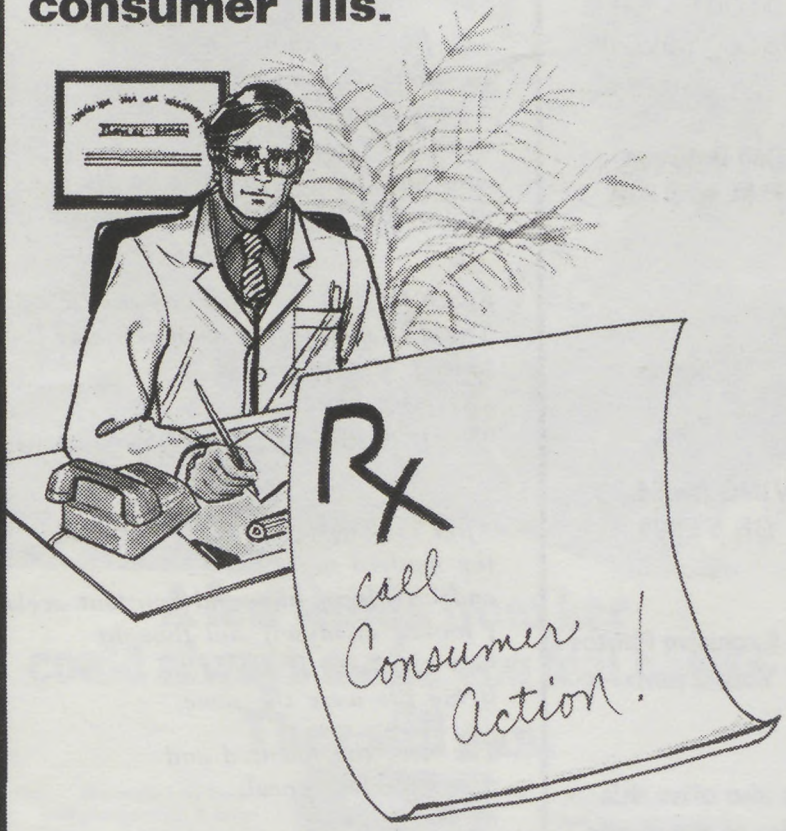

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